

CLAIMS

I claim:

1. In a general purpose computer having a processor, a memory, a visual display, and a communications link to the internet, a method of displaying web pages associated with uniform resource locators embedded in hyperlinks in a first web page as panels in a single, continuous, scrollable second web page by modifying the html instructions of said first web page, comprising the steps of:
displaying a first web page by downloading from the internet data and preexisting html instructions for displaying said data as a first web page;
adding html instructions to said preexisting html instructions for said first web page to cause said display to present a user selectable choice between unmodified hyperlink behavior and modified hyperlink behavior such that, if unmodified hyperlink behavior is selected, the behavior of hyperlinks contained in said first web page is unmodified, and if modified hyperlink behavior is selected, then upon the selection of one or more hyperlinks on said first web page, the uniform resource locator embedded in each of said one or more hyperlinks will be placed within a list of uniform resource locators maintained in said memory such that, when hyperlink selection is complete, said list of uniform resource locators will be read from said memory and processed to create said second web page in which the content of each web page associated with each said uniform resource locator is included as a panel in said single, continuous, scrollable second web page.

2. A machine readable storage, having stored thereon a first computer program and a second computer program, each said computer program having a plurality of code sections executable by a machine for causing the machine to perform the steps of:

interfacing said first computer program with said second computer program as said first and second computer programs are being executed by said machine, said second computer program causing said machine to display a first web page consisting of data and html instructions downloaded from a server attached to the internet, said first web page including one or more hyperlinks, each of said one or more hyperlink having embedded within it a uniform resource locator linked to a web page;

said first computer program modifying said second computer program to cause said machine to present a user selectable choice between hyperlink behavior as provided in said second computer program and modified hyperlink behavior as provided in said first computer program such that, if unmodified hyperlink behavior is selected, the behavior of hyperlinks contained in said first web page is as provided in said second computer program without modification, and if modified hyperlink behavior is selected, then upon the selection of one or more hyperlinks on said first web page, the uniform resource locator embedded in each of said one or more hyperlinks will be placed within a list of uniform resource locators maintained in said machine such that, when hyperlink selection is complete, said list of uniform resource locators will be processed by said machine to create a second web page in which the content of each web page associated with each said uniform resource locator is included as a panel in said single, continuous, scrollable second web page.

1 3. A machine readable storage, having stored thereon data and html instructions for
2 downloading to a user's computer attached to the internet, said data and html instructions
3 comprising a first web page, said first web page containing one or more hyperlinks, each
4 of said one or more hyperlinks having embedded within it a uniform resource locator
5 associated with a web page, said html instructions causing said user's computer to
6 perform the steps of:
7 displaying said first web page on said user's computer;
8 presenting a user selectable choice between hyperlink behavior wherein a first choice
9 will cause hyperlink behavior such that any hyperlink selected will immediately
10 download and display a web page associated with the uniform resource locator embedded
11 within said hyperlink;
12 and a second choice will cause hyperlink behavior such that, upon the selection of one or
13 more hyperlinks on said first web page, the uniform resource locator embedded in each
14 of said one or more hyperlinks will be placed within a list of uniform resource locators
15 such that, when hyperlink selection is complete, said list of uniform resource locators
16 will be processed to create a second web page in which the content of each web page
17 associated with each said uniform resource locator is included as a panel in a single,
18 continuous, scrollable second web page.